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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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George V. Lauder

Director, Public Affairs

SUBJECT:

Invitation to Attend Science and Technology Seminar Sponsored by the Center for Strategic and International

Studies

1. Action Requested: Accept or decline an invitation to attend a Science and Technology seminar sponsored by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Georgetown University.

2. Background:

for Strategic and International Studies, has invited you to attend a Science and Technology seminar on Thursday,

1 December, from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. in the Wadsworth Room of the International Club (1800 K St. N.W.). You are asked to attend the seminar as a member of the audience unless you wish to participate or present a paper. If you cannot attend in person they will welcome your representative. The subject of the seminar is "Contra-tech: least favorite examples of progress."

former Counselor to the U.S. Arms
Control and Disarmament Agency and Professor of Law at
Harvard University, will discuss technologies that in his
opinion are counter productive to our culture and society.
According to the attached letter he will address "the
profound dangers to a democratic society of uncontrolled
technological innovation and present some criteria for making
informed choices about the management of technological
change." A CSIS staff member said that arms control will be
emphasized. There will be a question-and-answer period
following the address.

The audience will be made up of approximately one hundred representatives from the military, academia, private industry, research and development, and the Executive and Legislative side of the government. Members of the press and possibly foreign nationals will also attend.

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| | | 3. Recommendation: None; indicate your preference and have Public Affairs send an appropriate letter of acceptance or regret. | | |
| | | George V. Lauder | | |
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| | • | /s/ William J. Casey DECLINE INVITATION TO ATTEND SEMINAR 29 NOV 1983 | | |
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